

### Kuwaiti lawmakers propose matawa panel

KUWAIT (AP) - Five Islamist lawmakers have proposed a committee to protect Islamic religious values in the emirate, press reports said Tuesday.

Arab Times, an English-language daily, said the committee would spread good values through "gentle advice" and fighting alien traditions and customs that contradict Islamic teachings and traditions. According to the draft law published by the paper, members of the committee will not patrol the streets with whips to make shopkeepers close down during parrot the streets with whips to make shopkeepers close down during prayer time or forcing women to cover their hair, something akin to the role of the matawa in neighbouring Saudi Arabia. It passed by the parliament and approved by the emir, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah, the committee would include 15 members: Seven representatives of government ministries and eight members of the public. The draft said they would receive complaints from the public, relay them to the concerned government agency and follow up on measures taken by the government in that regard. Nineteen out of the 50 parliament members are Islamists, an unprecedented number in the legislature's history. Kuwait witnessed a return-to-religion movement during the 1990-91 Iraqi occupation and after liberation.

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lanese detained in the United b Emirates (UAE) for six eks were quoted Tuesday as ing that they were tortured ing their imprisonment. Since 1990 Gulf war, in which to no trajunedic danese supported Iraq, relabetween Khartoum and ns between Khartoum and ulf countries have been rained. Sudanese have been massed and several have been aprisoned and deported by the IAE government. On returning ome, they claimed they were stured during detention. In the dest incident, the government's indan News Agency said two sidanese have returned home aut two others remain imprisoned in UAE. The four were arrested Isn; 3 in connection with alleged contacts with Sudan's Muslim hadamentalist movement. They were not officially charged.

### iran minister survives no-confidence vote

MIÇOSIA (AP) — Iran's minister of transportation, Mohammad Sacedi-Kya, Tuesday escaped a note of no-confidence by parliament, where he was summoned to explain recent air and train disasters in which 205 people were killed, Tehran Television reported. The broadcast said Mr. Saesdi Kya received 121 votes in avoor, and the same number against him, from the 270member chamber. The rest of the deputies were either not present or abstained. The minister would have been impeached only if two thirds of the deputies voted against him.

### iran's state security का प्रधान | forces get new Intelligence chief

NICOSIA (AP) — Iran's supreme leader Tuesday appointed Mohammad Reza Naqdi, a middle-ranking officer in the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps, as head of intelligence for the internal security forces, thran Radio reported. The broadcast said Mr. Naqdi was appointed by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, the country's spiritual kader and commander-in-chief of the armed forces, to head the "security and information" section of the "disciplinary forces." The forces control state security, including drug enforcement and police. The radio said Mr. Naqdi was an officer in the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps., the country's main fighting force, and that Khamenei's decree promoted him to the rank of brigadier general. It gave no other details about him, and little else is known about Mr. Naqdi, who has not figured among the country's top brass. The radio so did not give any information about Brigadier-General Reza Scifollahi, who was appointed bead of security and intelligence by Ayatoliah Khamenei in April 1991. It was not clear whether Mr. Nagdi would replace him or work with him. Mr. Naqdi's "transfer" is somewhat artificial, since the disciplinary forces are part of the guards corps.

### Suspected extremist shot in Egypt

ASSIUT (AP) — A policeman

Tuesday shot and wounded a Suspected Muslim extremist while tearching his house for arms, Police said. A police official said e incident occurred at the town Manfalout just North of the Maslim fundamentalist hotbed of Assiut, 320 kilometres south of Curo. The official said that Repub Alameddin, a bird seller, fired at Captain Ashraf Dahi while he was searching his house for weapons and ammunition. S513.00 The officer had to return fire." the official said. Alameddin was hat in the arm and leg and taken and said Alameddin was susand Alameddin was sus-Figure 1 1 September 2 1 Septe the state of the s replace it with an Iran-like heart the heart the heart and and the man legeted police and Christian touriste Rocking and Christian by the last year began attacktourists. Muslim extremists we claimed responsibility for a substitution of the claim of the Two Americans, a Frenchregular part can and a Canadian were among
player have be wounded.

# Palestinian, settler killed amid army siege of Gaza Strip

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM -A 75-year-old Palestinian was shot dead by an Israeli settler in Arab Jerusalem and another Israeli was killed in the occupied Gaza Strip Tuesday, hours after the Israeli army sealed off the coastal strip after the fatal stab-

bing of two Israelis.
The elderly Palestinian, identified as Jumah Abdul Aziz Misk, was shot and killed by an Israeli settler whose car was allegedly stoned in the Ras Al Amoud neighbourhood of Arab East Jerusalem, reports said. Mr. Misk was reported dead on arrival at

Jerusalem's Mokassed hospital. Elsewhere in Gaza, three Palestinians were wounded when soldiers opened fire to disperse stone-throwing demonstrators in-Khan Yunis, Israeli reports said. Israeli radios said the Israeli

man killed Tuesday was about 40. They said he apparently made a wrong turn and approached the Rafah refugee camp, which is near the border with Egypt. The victim was both stoned and shot, according to the radios and

an official at Gaza settlers council, who spoke on condition of The radios said several bullet casines from a Kalashnikov rifle

were found at the site of the 2:30

roadside bomb exploded Tuesday

near a U.N. peacekeepers' vehi-

cle in South Lebanon and artil-

lery shells crashed around the

camp where nearly 400 Palesti-

nian expellees are stranded. No

Meanwhile, civilians engaged

in fist fights with members of the

(0030 GMT) near the village of

Qlaile, 10 kilometres south of the

Mr. Goksel said the blast in-

flicted damage on the armoured

but we don't know why."

Qlaile is a village in the western

Somalis inch towards talks;

clashes in southern port city

of town.

ple last year.

coastal sector of South Lebanon,

KISMAYU (AP) — U.S. soldiers

shot and killed one Somali man

and wounded another in the clan

war-plagued port of Kismayu, but

the violence did not stop rivals

from taking another tentative

Fifteen groups turned in lists of

their heavy weapons to U.S.-led

forces Tuesday, officials said.

The submission of the lists and

the expected transfer of the

weapons to allied control was

viewed as indicating the factions'

country devastated by war.

willingness to work for peace in a

Allied soldiers trying to halt

clan warfare have at times found

themselves caught in the cross-

fire. On Monday night, an army

foot patrol came under fire and

shot back, killing one Somali, a

While trying to retrieve the

body, the patrol was fired on

again and shot one Somali in the

chest, the spokesman said. The

condition of the wounded man

was not known, and no U.S.

supporters of Mohammad Said

Hirsi, known as General Morgan,

launched a surprise attack last

week that sent rival warlord Col-

Kismayu has been tense since

soldiers were reported hurt.

U.S. military spokesman said.

step twards peace Tuesday.

casualties were reported.

attacks on Israel.

port of Tyre.

The army confirmed only that a civilian had been killed and said it

was checking further. Soldiers imposed a curfew on Rafah, which is home to about 90.000 Palestinians, and launched searches, Arab reports said.

The attack occurred nearly 12 hours after soldiers imposed a closure order that blocked at least 35,000 Gazans from reaching jobs

The army said the Erez crossing from Gaza into Israel was shut to Palestinian traffic at 3:00 a.m. (0100 GMT). The measure was one-way and did not prevent Israelis from entering Gaza.

It was not known how long the Israeli closure measure would last, but the Haaretz daily said it was expected to be lifted in sever-

Dr. Haidar Abdul Shafi, the chief Palestinian negotiator to U.S.-backed Middle East peace talks, condemned the closure as unfair since about half of Gaza's work force is employed in Israel. "The closure goes along with the usual Israeli attitude of im-

posing collective punishment which certainly is going to create all kinds of difficulties, mainly economic ones, for the people in the Gaza Strip," Mr. Abdul Shafi

· A statement from the Palestine

accused Israel of trying to starve the Palestinians through the clo-

An army statement Monday said the Gaza Strip was being closed to examine entry permits and prevent violence between Arabs and Jews.

In deciding on the closure Monday, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who also is defence minister, dismissed calls from rightwingers for an indefinite, blanket closure or an Israeli boycott of the Middle East peace talks.

"The peace talks have to take place because in them lies the medium and long-term solution," he said.

"First of all, the purpose of this closure, which is for a few days, is to try to reexamine several areas regarding checks and procedures at the roadblocks," Mr. Rabin said Monday.

"There is no intention to make this a long-term closure." The attack sparked a heated

debate on the future of the Gaza Strip. Israeli radio stations questioned public figures and took calls from the public all day on the question of Gaza. Members of Rabin's Labour Party and other leftists said only a

political settlement to the Israeli-

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### Shells land near exiles' Tehran camp in South Lebanon buying up ex-Soviet mainstream Shiite Amal movement have influence. Police said Israeli gunners or

their militia allies inside Israel's self-proclaimed "security zone" in South Lebanon fired 11 mortar rounds, all falling only a kilometre away from the evictees' camp just north of the zone.

Iranian-backed Hizbollah to de-They said the bombardment, mand a halt to the use of their which renewed around noon villages as launching pads for (1000 GMT), targeted the supply route that the evictees and sym-Timur Goksel, spokesman for pathetic villagers have been using the U.N. Interim Force In Lebato replenish the exiled men with non (UNIFIL), said the bomb attack took place at 2:30 a.m. food and medical stocks.

None of the men, expelled by Israel Dec. 17, was hurt in the

The Israeli army confirmed that the Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army (SLA) opened fire in the area "when they spotted suspicious movement. They

personnel carrier, which carried five soldiers of UNIFIL's Fijian opened fire and then stopped. He said investigation showed Meanwhile the evictees' that the attackers "came from spokesman, Abdul Aziz Rantisi, praised the killing of two Israelis in Tel Aviv Monday by a Palesti-Qlaile village. Obviously the UNIFIL vehicle was the target, nian armed with two knives.

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onel Omar Jess and hundreds of

his fighters fleeing to the outskirts

they only want to regain homes

taken when Col. Jess forced them

to escape in fighting last year.

by American troops arrived on

Dec. 9 to end warfare in Somalia,

were fighting and starvation

claimed the lives of 350,000 peo-

Somalia has forced Gen. Morgan,

a son-in-law of ousted dictator

Mohammad Siad Barre, to con-

fine his fighters to an area near

the Kenyan border and had

It also had ordered Col. Jess to

take his fighters and weapons at

least 80 kilometres outside the

city by midnight Tueday or risk

But supporters of the two rivals

clashed Sunday and Monday in

Kismayn, leaving five people

said Monday that their workers in

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Relief agencies in Mogadishu

seized some weapons.

The allied military coalition in

An international coalition led

Gen. Morgan's supporters say

### nuclear stores' BONN (AP) -- Iran has been snapping up nuclear stores thrown into the black market by

the break-up of the Soviet Union. a news magazine reported Tues-"Almost every time in the last year there was an attempt to sell radioactive material from the ex-

Soviet Union, interested parties from Iran were present," the weekly Stern quoted an unnamed expert at the federal intelligence service as saving. The news magazine released in

advance a synopsis of the report appearing in Thursday's editions. Stern said there were more than 600 weapons dealers or agents in Germany, Switzerland and Austria working for Iran, most of them in Germany. It said there were 200 "front companies" worldwide helping the Iranian nuclear effort, again most in Germany, but that government officials thought the figures were probably higher.

Syria and Libya were also

trying to up ex-Soviet stores of radioactive material, Stern said, but "Iran is far and away the craftiest.'

The magazine also said North Korea was "a de facto nuclear power" and quoted a report from Russia's secret service, which claimed that last year 56 kilogrammes of plutonium were smuggled out of the former Soviet Union to North Korea.

It claimed that India and Pakistan were "on the verge of nuclear war" in early 1990 overr Kashmir. Stern quoted Ronald Lehmann, a U.S. armaments official, as saying, "Thank God, no-one knew how close we really were to that." Stern also claimed that con-

trary to public statements, Russia would continue nuclear weapons testing. It cited a secret decree by Russian President Boris Yeltsin to prepare to continue nuclear testing on an island in the Arctic Ocean\_

Iran's defence minister meanwhile accused the United States of demonising Tehran in an effort to alarm regional countries and sell them weapons left over from

(Continued on page 5) Officials seek grass-roots support, Britain imposes strict control on



strip was sealed off Tuesday (AFP photo) -

# Hamas denies rejecting U.S. plan, will abide by majority decision

By Mariam M. Shahin Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — The Islamic Resistance Movement Hamas Tuesday denied rejecting a six-point U.S. proposal to resolve the expellee crisis and said if the majority of the Palestinian people wanted to go ahead with the peace process Hamas would respect their wishes and stop its attempts to break off Palestinian peace talks with

"We neither accept nor reject the six-point plan of (U.S. Secretary of State Warren) Christopher," Hamas representative in Fordan Mohammad Nazzal told the Jordan Times. "We are saying that the peace negotiations should not be linked with the U.N. Resolution 799."

Mr. Nazzal said three of the six points included in the deal proposed by Mr. Christopher were "irrelevant" to the immediate implementation of Resolution 799.

"Why should we approve of irrelevant statements? There is no need. Israel should announce

that it will no longer carry out expulsions or transfer policies. That is the single most important point along with the implementation of Resolution 799," Mr. Nazzal said. Mr. Nazzal confirmed that his

movement would continue to oppose the peace process regardless of whether Resolution 799 was implemented or not. He said that the only condition under which Hamas would stop actively opposing the peace process would be in the "framework of a democratic Palestinian political arena in which the majority (of the Palestinians) voted in favour of

the process. Mr. Nazzal said, however, that Hamas was not contemplating continuing discussions with the Palestine National Council (PNC) any time in the near fu-

"For the moment the issue of our joining the PNC has been shelved until further notice," said Mr. Nazzal, who was one of Hamas representatives to engage in a PLO-Hamas dialogue in Tunis and Khartoum in Decem-

Asked what conditions Hamas now puts on its joining the PNC, he said that "democratisation of the PNC and the PLO Executive Committee is of primary concern to us." Mr. Nazzal said if the PLO was to democratise "we would join today."

Any decisions made by a "free PNC would be binding to us, including participation in the peace process," he said.

He said Hamas would participate in any elections in the occupied territories provided that they were not linked to the peace process." Hamas will not categorically rule out its participation if the elections were linked to the peace process but such "decisions have not been made yet," he added.

PLO officials close to Chair man Yasser Arafat said Tuesday that the PLO leadership was "in no hurry to include Hamas in the PNC at this stage.' "Right now that would be a

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### Jordan surprised by **U.S.** travel warning

By Ayman Al Safadi Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Jordanian officials Tuesday expressed bewilderment at an American statement warning American citizens against "terrorist" threats in the King-

Information Minister Mahmoud Al Sharif asserted there was no fear for tourists and residents in the country, saying that Jordan "is absolutely one of the safest places in the Middle

"There is absolutely no reason for them to fear anything here," he told the Jordan Times Tues-

The U.S. State Department Monday warned Americans in Jordan against "heightened threats at this time of terrorism," saying information available to the U.S. government "suggest" a threat to Americans in the country, especially those travelling by

U.S. embassy sources in Amman declined comment. "(The statement) is puzzling,"

Mr. Sharif said. "I don't see any reason for it. While government officials

would not comment on the motives behind the warning, a political observer who requested anonymity said the U.S. might be fearing repercussions for its failure to deal properly with the question of Palestinian expellees. The United States initially sup-

ported U.N. Security Council Resolution 799, which calls for the immediate return to the occupied territories of about 400 Palestinians expelled to southern Lebanon by Israel in December, but it later brokered a separate deal with Israel that many in the region say falls far short of implementing the resolution.

The U.S. did not do enough to secure the return of the expellees and allowed Israel to get off the hook, said the observer. Accordingly, it is afraid of a reaction.

American citizens interviewed

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### Saddam: Iraq wants better ties with U.S.

ROME (R) - Iraqi leader Sad- ing information about its supdam Hussein said in a television interview Monday he would be willing to improve relations with the United States if Washington

shared the same feeling. "Iraq is ready to establish a new relationship with the United States if it is ready to do the

same," the Iraqi leader said. President Saddam was interviewed by an American journalist in Baghdad. Italian state television, which showed the interview Monday, said it was the first time it has been broadcast.

Asked what he would say to

President Bill Clinton if the U.S. president was in the same room, President Saddam replied: "I will tell him what I think when he is sitting here in front of me." He also said he hoped Mr. Clinton would succeed in winning a good reputation in the world.

U.N. inspectors pile pressure on Iraq The head of a new U.N. in-

spection team heading for Iraq said Tuesday he would increase pressure on Baghdad to name the foreign suppliers for its nuclear weapons programme Dimitri Perricos, a Greek sci-

entist, leads a team of 24 nuclear experts to Baghdad Wednesday on an eight-day inspection. He said he would press for supplier details and check about 24 sites, including some new sus-

pect locations, for nuclear-related activity banned since Iraq lost the war over Kuwait in 1991. Identification of Iraq's suppliers of equipment for its nuc-

lear, chemical, ballistic and biological weapons programmes is one of the most important remaining demands the United Nations has before lifting economic sanctions on Baghdad.

The Perricos said he would refuse Baghdad's demand for a complete list of questions about its supply network.

After nearly two years of refus-

pliers, Iraq has said in the past three months that it would posi-

tively consider requests for in-

formation. But when pressed, it has said it would only answer a complete list, not piecemeal questions. Mr. Perricos told Reuters the International Atomic Energy

Agency (IAEA) was refusing to accept the demand because it could reveal to Baghdad how much the U.N. already knows. Iraq had no right to make conditions, Mr. Perricos said.

Asked if he would present the Iraqis with a complete list of questions, he said: "No, because giving them a complete list implies they want to know what we know. They haven't proven their good faith by providing answers to specific questions we gave Mr. Perricos said he would also

press for Iraq's unequivocal acceptance of U.N. Security Council resolutions 707 and 715, which prescribe long-term monitoring of weapons programmes, demand answers to U.N. questions and limit Iraqi activities in the future. "They always try to dodge the

issue," he said.

He said the Iragis talked about long-term monitoring in the context of the Gulf war ceasefire document, Security Council Resolutin 687 but refuse to accept 707 and 715, which go into more detail.

Last Friday, Lieutenant-General Amer Rasheed, head of Iraq's Military Industrialisation Commission, said Baghdad accepted long-term monitoring and had issued orders to comply with 687.

But the interview did not mention 715 or 707.

Mr. Perricos was scheduled to fly in on March 3 and return on March 11, an official at the Bahrain field office for the U.N. inspectors said.

### Federal agents brace for showdown with Texas cult

WACO, Texas (AP) - Federal year-old daughter. agents sent in more firepower overnight as a bloody standoff with a religious cult entered a third day, but they said there was no rush to storm the compound. Six more children left at dawn

A convoy of 25 trucks, cars and vans carrying agents in riot gear moved in Monday evening as onlookers were ordered out, and the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) sent its elite hostage rescue team to the scene. But authorities refused to say

how long the 400 law enforce-

ment officers massed outside the

fog-shrouded compound were prepared to let the standoff with cult leader David Koresh and an estimated 75 followers, including some British citizens, drag on. "There's no rush on something like this. You have to take your

time," Ted Royster, special agent of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (BAIF), said Tuesday. "You want to save as many people as possible." Authorities talked by tele-

phone periodically with cult members Monday, a day after a raid by about 100 BATF agents erupted in gun battles that killed four agents and two Koresh fol-

The talks continued with Mr. Koresh early Tuesday, Mr. Royster said. He did not know Mr.

Koresh's physical condition.

Mr. Koresh, the 33-year-old messianic leader of the Branch Davidian sect. told a radio station he had been gravely wounded Sunday. As of early Tuesday, Mr. Koresh — who says he is Jesus Christ — had not been publicly heard from since 2 a.m. Monday.

Meanwhile, in London, the British Foreign Office said it had informed American authorities of the names of at least 14 British men, women and children who moved to the cult's headquarters in recent months following a call from Mr. Koresh. The office spokesman, speaking anonymously in keeping with British custom, said up to 50 Britons may be involved with the cult.

The Seventh-Day Adventist church said about 20 of its members, mostly from Nottingham and Manchester in northern England, became involved in the cult in 1980 after a visit by Mr. Koresh, then using the name

Vernon Howell. British television said Mr. Koresh's followers also lowers, one reportedly his two- made a recruiting drive last year.

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# Officials target grass roots to bring Somalia back from ruin

MOGADISHU (AP) - The phone system was ripped out, water mains were dug up, electrical plants gutted and factories sold for scrap. The centrai bank was looted and blasted full of holes. How does Somalia even begin to rebuild? Forget it for now, develop-

ment officials say. With famine at bay, they plan to ask donor nations this month to fund local health, education and farming projects that will cost hundreds of millions of dollars.

Major projects will have to wait until rival factions can agree on a government, they say. Somalia has been rubberless since dictator Mohammad Siad Barre was driven from power in January 1991 and the country descended into clan

"There's an enormous temp tation in the absence of all these things to react with kneejerk solutions," Larry de Boice, the U.N. Development Programme's (UNDP) deputy representative in Somalia, said Monday.

"We're looking at a series of smaller scale support activity.'
he said in an interview.

A 56-page U.N. draft proposal calls for \$253 million in aid this year to fund U.N. relief and development projects in Somalia. The final version is to be presented to the March 11 donor's conference in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

While \$133 million is earmarked for food supplies and care for refugees, the rest is aimed at getting Somalia self sufficient again. Members of the U.S.-led coalition that ensured relief shipments since December are looking to scale back their military involve-

"Once the emergency is over, you need projects to get

people back to work," said Cynthia Osterman, spokesman for care, one of several relief groups that would participate in the U.N. plan. Care, World Concern and million people.
The U.S.-led coalition and

relief groups have reopened

some hospitals, and the U.N.

proposes spending \$23 million

on health and nutrition, includ-

ing creating 500 posts for local

dangerously contaminated. Barder, 350 kilometres west of

Mogadishu, one of the cities

worst hit by famine, is getting

food shipments. But a study in January showed only 14 per cent of the people there were getting potable water, Mr.

Like hospitals, most water

systems, pumps and generators in larger towns were destroyed

or looted. Up to 90 per cent of

wells are out of service, many

destroyed to ensure that

opposing military forces could

not find water, the U.N. draft

The United Nations wants to

spend \$12.7 million to rehabili-

tate damaged wells, chlorinate

water supplies and deliver

drinkable water. Care plans to

rehabilitate a canal for four

The U.N. plan would also spend \$20 million on employ-

ment and \$7.6 million on re-

Individual generators pro-

vide electricity to homes, while

the military and relief groups

have relied on radios and satel-

lite phones for communication.

a telephone network, the U.S.

army has drawn up a \$20 mil-

lion plan for cellular phones in

Mogadishu with limited service

in outlying areas, said Marine

Colonel Kevin Kennedy, the

coalition's liaison for huma-

The plan was submitted to

the United Nations for consid-

nitarian efforts.

eration, he said.

With no immediate plans for

Water supplies remain

health care workers.

Osterman said.

other groups would distribute food in exchange for work, the

Before the civil war, agriculture employed 02 per cent of working Somalis and was 65 per cent of the country's gross domestic product, she said.

The key to Somalia's recovery is livestock, which accounted for 80 per cent of the country's export earnings before the war, officials say.

Without vaccination and health checks, Somalis are forced to sell their cattle, camels and goats for less than market price to foreign traders who turn around and resell at a dramatic profit.

"Before the system's not in place, the Somalis are getting ripped off," Mr. De Boice said.

The draft proposal calls for a \$7.0 million programme by the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) for livestock programmes. In addition, the FAO would spend \$12.3 million for seed and farm tools. While food shipments have drastically reduced hunger, Somalis face widespread outbreaks of malaria, whooping

"Hospitals were looted and devastated," Mr. Osterman said. "Even before the civil war, medical care was available to only 27 per cent of the population.

cough and measles, officials

say, and health care is in a

The U.N. draft said that according to a September 1992 study, more than half of Somalia's estimated 354 physicians had left the country of 6.5

Afghan leader seeks Islamic No date set yet for negotiators to end feuding

KABUL (AP) — The military cards and other documents of chief of the embattled government asked Monday that a combeside Mr. Hekmatyar's Hezb-emittee of Islamic scholars, lawyers and intellectuals be formed to help end the bloody feuding among Afghan factions.

In an interview with the Associated Press, Ahmad Shah Masood also said he was prepar-Gulbuddin Hekmatyar and the other chieftains who have bat-tered Kabul with shells and mis-

"Not one of them has taken on responsibility for the problems of Afghanistan. When they face problems, they jump in the jeeps and flee to Pakistan, but not one has shown any kind of compas-sion toward this country," he

Mr. Masood, defence minister in the government of President Burhanuddin Rabbani, spoke during a four-hour interview at his home, a former guest house of

the communist government.

Mr. Masood also attacked Mr. Hekmatyar's foreign backers. He mentioned no countries by name, but seemed to be talking about Pakistan and Saudi Arabia. whose fundamentalists have sent Mr. Hekmatyar hundreds of millions of dollars.

"We have documents that show that these countries have been giving military and financial assistance to Hekmatyar," said huge apartment complex, killing Mr. Masood, pulling out identity at least 31 people, half of them

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — The United States said Monday it

paign of repression against Shiite

rebels in the southern marshes.

"There are press reports that talk about the killings of hun-

dreds of Shiites by Saddam Hus-

sein's armed forces. Some of

them talk of a massacre." State

Department spokesman Richard

"We're looking into those re-ports, as we look into all such

reports, but at this point I'd say

I'm not able to confirm any of the

He said the pattern of "repres-

resolutions that ended the Gulf

Iraqi military offensives recently,

but the small scale military ac-

tions continue against the civilian

Also, Iraq continues to impede the efforts of the international

community to provide humanita-

rian relief to all the Iraqi people,

Mr. Boucher described "small-

scale" military actions as "skir-

mishes, forays by small groups of

Iraci soldiers, certain amount of

Iraq said Sunday it would wel-

come visits by foreign reporters

to its southern marshes. The offer

came in response to a report in

London's Observer newspaper

saying Iraqi forces shelled villages

every night and siphoned off wa-

ter in an attempt to turn their

In Geneva, a U.N. investiga-

tior said Iraq had apparently ex-

its southern marshes in "death

In a report to the U.N. Human

Rights Commission, Max Van

camps" in recent months.

refuge into a desert.

shelling and things like that."

population," he said.

he added.

"There have been no major

Boucher told reporters.

**U.S.** probing reports

of new Iraqi 'repression'

was investigating news reports groups of up to 200 to death that Iraq had launched a cam- camps in the north, the report

specifics at this time," Mr. Stoel declined to elaborate on his

sion" was well documented and cent months. He did not offer a

Pakistani and Saudi negotiators have been trying to broker an end to the bloodshed that has killed or wounded tens of thousands of people and destroyed much of the

Fighting began almost immediately in April, after a 14year war ended with the ouster of the communists and victory for Islamic factions.

Mr. Rabbani arrived Monday in Islamabad, the Pakistani capital, for peace talks. Few believe any truce will last, though, because of the intensive hatred between Mr. Hekmatyar and Mr.

"He is a man looking only for power and he will use any method to get it," Mr. Masood said. "We want a political settlement worked out through negotia-tions," he said. "But if we have to fight, it will be a quick strike. We

are preparing for the second round of fighting and we will make it a very short war." Discontent has been growing in Kabul over Mr. Masood's reluctance to wipe out the long-range missiles and rocket launchers

sed by Mr. Hekmatyar's rebels. On Sunday, after a two-week lull, rockets and mortars crashed into a market, a mosque and a

Detainees from southern Iraq

reportedly were transported in

camps in the north, the report

said. Another account spoke of

hundreds of marsh residents

being held in such camps, it said.

controlled areas said they saw

busloads of people with southern

Iraqi features arrive and heard

gunshots on subsequent evenings, Mr. Van der Stoel said.

minister called the allegations

"extremely disturbing."

The former Dutch foreign

In an interview, Mr. Van der

sources but said the "mass execu-

tions" allegedly happened in re-

Mr. Van der Stoel's annual

report to the commission, the top

U.N. human rights watchdog now

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Iraqi Kurds may not survive

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in the past year, it said, citing "an

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Mr. Van der Stoel urged Iraq

He said hardship is rising all

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He urged Iraq to accept a U.N.

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After the attack, 200 to 300 demonstrators marched toward the presidential palace, shouting "Death to Rabbani, death to Masood

Mr. Hekmatyar, leader of the Hezb-e-Islami, and other dissident factions have showered the city with rockets and mortar shells for months.

In an interview with the AP last week at his mountain headquar-ters south of Kabul, Mr. Hekmatyar gave no indication the shelling would stop.
"We want peace, but the other

side is not serious," he said. "In Kabul, you hear shelling. Here there is peace and quiet."

A nationwide assembly voted

in December to make Mr. Rabbani president for two more years. But most of the major Muslim leaders accused Mr. Rab-bani of paying off the delegates with bribes.

"We are ready to accept an international commission religious scholars, lawyers, intellec-tuals from the Islamic world to investigate these charges and we will accept their decision." Mr. Masood said in the interview with

"If the commission finds any abuses, I will resign," he said.
Mr. Masood, leader of the best organised rebel force during the 14-year war, now commands a patchwork Islamic army that is defending Mr. Rabbani

Sudan says

Egypt seeks

military end

to Halaib row

KHARTOUM (AP) -- Sudan's

military ruler has accused Egypt of seeking a military solution to a

border dispute and warned that

the problem could wreck bilateral

Lieutenant-General Omar

Hassan Al Bashir said Egypt was

not serious about reaching a

negotiated settlement on the Halaib area and "has decided to

solve the Halaib conflict with

He spoke in an interview with

the Iraqi News Agency that was

aired on state television Monday

Gen. Bashir repeated charges

that Egypt has massed troops at

the border and set up new check

points. He also said the Egyptian

government has began exploring

for minerals and water in Halaib

and placed new border markers.

only harm, but would blow up

relations between the two coun-

Halaib is a triangular area

overlooking the Red Sea which

both countries claim. Egypt says

in 1899 agreement with Britain

then controlling Sudan, set the

Egyptian-Sudanese border along the 22nd Parallel. Halaib lies

Egypt in 1902 gave Sudan

because the majority of its inhabi-

tants were Sudanese tribesmen.

Cairo says that Khartoum has

confused local administration

The dispute, dormant since the

late 1950s, flared up at the end of

1991 when Sudan granted a Cana-

dian oil firm a concession for

exploration offshore from

Halaib. Egypt protested and the

A joint committee formed to

negotiate a settlement held an

inconclusive session last month in

Khartoum. The official Sudan

News Agency (SUNA) quoted a

source close to the talks as saying

that the two parties discussed

Egypt's "transgressions" in Halaib.

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"Those measures would not

Sudan militarily."

# Mideast peace talks

Richard Boucher Monday "we this next round can be as don't have a date yet" for the next round of Arab-Israeli peace negotiations. negotiations.

On February 25, Secretary of State Warren Christopher and Russian Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev issued a statement in Geneva saying they would invite the parties to a new round of talks during the month of April.

Noting there has been speculation based on religious holidays and calendars, Mr. Boucher told reporters that "until we've actually decided ourselves ... I would steer you away from all speculation on any particular date."

While he was not aware of any

specific conversations the secret-Eastern leaders since Mr. Christopher met with Syrian Foreign engagement at all levels," he Minister Farouk Al Sharaa in said. Brussels Feb. 25, Mr. Boucher pointed out: "We have been in volved" in the process, personal touch with all the parties to the ly, during his trip, and he inditalks through our embassies. cated that he and the United

approach the next round, we'll actively engaged with the par-continue the discussions that the ties," he said.

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Mr. Christopher had extensive discussions during his February
18-24 trip to the Middle East.
"He found that the parties were very much committed to the peace process, that they were interested in resuming negotiations as soon as possible. Mr. Boucher said. "Based on their systematics was think that they ill statements, we think that they'll be able to participate when we do schedule the next round,"

The spokesman was asked to explain the "full partnership" role that Mr. Christopher ary may have had with Middle pledged the U.S. would play when the talks resume. "It means

The secretary was "actively in-We've had continuing discussions States intend to continue that involvement," Mr. Boucher ex-"And I think it's important to plained. "But it also means that note in this context that as we at other levels, too, we'll be

## **Amnesty reports torture** continuing in Algeria jails

LONDON (AP) — Amnesty International said Tuesday that tortor replace Algeria's secular, multure of prisoners by Algerian tiparty system with an Islamic security forces, which virtually state. ceased after 1989, has become Vic widespread again following dec-porters of the front broke ou laration of a state of emergency

"The organisation has received towns following the assumption dozens of testimonies of torture of presidential powers by the and spoken to victims their families and doctors," the independent of the committee decreed a state lies and doctors," the indepen-

the practice of torture in Algeria finitely. - which had been virtually eradicated after 1988 — resumed after port said that since February February 1992, and dramatically 1992, over 9,000 suspected Isla-

idential powers on Jan. 14, 1992 the camps following the resignation of President Chadli Benjedid three days have killed about 300 people in before.

It said Algerian security forces have killed about 300 people in the last 12 months, many in

The second round of general armed clashes. election voting which had been "However, a significant num-scheduled for Jan. 16 was mean-ber appear to have been innocent the opposition Islamic Salva- barriers, breaking the tion Front (FIS).

as winner of the first round of lence," the report said.

Violent demonstrations by suparound mosques it controlled in the capital Algiers and other

dent, London-based human of emergency on Feb. 9, 1992; rights group said in a report. and on Feb. 7 this year renewed Their testimonies show that the state of emergency indeFinancia

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The Amnesty International reincreased during the last quarter mic activists had been sent to desert internment camps without Algeria's five-member High charge or trial. It said that more Council of State took over pres- than 1,000 continue to be held in

while cancelled, blocking the bystanders, deliberately killed probable overall election victory while allegedly crossing police in other circumstances where The front, which had emerged they posed no threat of vio-

### Britain tightening controls on arms, technology to Iran

ing controls on exports of arms guidelines, would remain valid. and technology to Iran, which has "We shall support efforts been accused of developing a among supplier countries, in par-

energy equipment, with two ex-concern," Mr. Hurd wrote.

aircraft and air traffic control systems, and radioactive material for medical equipment. Export licenses would be re-

fused for those exceptions day, Defence Minister Jonathan House of Commons.

banned items but introduces more stringent guidelines for categories, which are now very approving license applications."

LONDON (AP) — Britain Mr. Hurd said existing export announced Monday it is tighten- licensees, approved under the old

huge arsenal.

Foreign Secretary Douglas industrial powers) and our Euro-Hurd told parliament no export pean partners, to promote a licenses would be granted for any harmonised approach to effective items on international lists of controls on the export of dual use proscribed military or atomic goods to countries of particular

The move followed completion The exceptions were goods of a government review of export essential for the safety of civil licensing criteria for Iran. Export restrictions were im-

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Kuwaiti Dinar	2.2230	2.2450
Qatari Riyal	0.1869	0.1890
Egyptian Pound	0.1940	0.2150
Omani Riyal	1.7590	1.7800
UAE Dirham	0.1869	0.1890
Greek Drachma	0.3000	0.3200
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Index	28/2/93 Close	1/3/93	Close
All-Share	191.04	189.82	
Banking Sector	133.61	132.23	
Insurance Sector	21.1.42	210.67	•
Industry Sector	270.68	269.78	
Services Sector	250.09	248.07	• •

administrator Brazil's economy minister Monday as a replacement for Paulo Haddad, who boards.

Central bank president Gustavo Loyola and the bank's fivemember board also announced their resignations in what looked like a setback to the fight against malaise in the world's ninthlargest economy.

The surprise resignations, made Sünday but not announced until Monday, gutted President Itamar Franco's economic team at a time when the huge economy is ailing from deep recession and suffering 1,100 per cent inflation. Mr. Franco replaced Mr. Had-

dad with Eliseu Resende, the president of the state power utility Eletrobras. He rejected shock plans to ease inflation of 27 per cent a month and called for hard work and austerity. Mr. Resende is the fifth eco-

nomy minister since 1990 and the third since Mr. Franco became. Mr. Haddad would tolerate the

is biting the bullet, embarking on some of the drastic restructuring

it needs to restore profit growth

and boost competitiveness in face

of the nations' worst economic

But ironically, these corporate moves could delay recovery from

the very slowdown that is forcing

the restructuring, some econom-

Japanese management to realise

that the domestic slowdown is

very severe and that actual pro-

duction cuts, plant closures and

redundancies of full-time workers

are warranted," Jesper Koll, an

economist at S.G. Warburg, has

Japan's number-two carmaker,

Nissan Motor Co. Ltd, grabbed

headlines with its announcement

Tuesday it would shed 5;000 em-

ployees -- almost one-tenth of its

53,000-strong workforce — by

March 1996 in an effort to get

The staff reductions, it said,

would come through natural attri-

agreement with its commercial

bank creditors before the current

pact expires at the end of 1993,

the governor of the South African

The current arrangement

covers \$5.5 billion of South Afri-

ca's total external debt of some

\$18 billion, the rest is not subject

to any restrictions as to payment.

we will have to come to a new

arrangement with the foreign cre-

ditors on what's going to happen to that debt," Chris Stals told

Mr. Stals said that theoretically

the \$5.5 billion would immediate-

ly become payable unless a new

agreement was reached. He said

the debt was small in terms of

developing country indebtedness

Renters in an interview.

"Before the end of this year,

Reserve Bank has said.

back in the black. ....

"It took three years for

slump in decades.

ists said.

Mr. Haddad, 53, told reporters mar Franco named a veteran he was quitting because of conflicts with the president over appointments of Franco political supporters instead of technical resigned in a dispute over experts to the boards of the cenappointments to state bank trai bank and the state-run Bank of Brazil.

"The only... reason I had was the deep disagreements I had with the composition of the board of the central bank and the board of the Bank of Brazil," Mr. Haddad said.

He said 75 per cent of his and Mr. Loyola's plans to halt inflation and rebuild the economy depended on the expertise of the

Mr. Franco and his aides have been making appointments to thousands of government posts, using them as bargaining chips with congressional and state leaders to gain support for the president's legislative package. Mr. Franco belongs to no party.

Brazilian newspapers had reported a growing rift between Mr. Franco and his economy minister and wondered how long president's public administrations

Japan companies begin

TOKYO (R) — Corporate Japan some unwelcome early retire- reducing personnel expenses and

Nissan also said it was halting

production at its car assembly

plant in Zama west of Tokyo around spring 1995, marking the

first car plant closure in recent

the plan that it now expects de-

clining domestic and overseas

sales to widen its operating losses

business health — to 39 billion

yen (\$333 million) from an earlier

estimate of 17 billion yen (\$145

million), against a profit of 33.78

billion (\$289 million) in 1991/92.

Domestic telecom giant Nip-pon Telegraph and Telephone

Corp. (NTT) also said it was

stepping up its ongoing plan to

shrink its staff, although it de-

clined to confirm reports by-

Japanese media that it would slice

another 30,000 people from its

230,000-strong payroll by the year ending March 1997.

cases, but they are hardly alone in

tion and layoffs, but analysts said their need to cut fixed costs by at Mitsubishi Research Institute.

S. Africa will seek new debt rescheduling

total foreign reserves amount to

have a country that is undergoing

very major political changes. It's

a matter of time before a new

kind of government takes over responsibility," said Mr. Stals. This made it very difficult to

enter into a new agreement with

the country's 230 commercial cre-

not only a longer-term arrangement but a final arrangement,"

Mr. Stals said. "South Africa has

made substantial repayments on

its foreign debt over the last eight

or nine years and we will want to

continue and repay that total

amount but, obviously, it will

have to be spread out over a

"Ideally we would like to have

ditors at this point.

"The major problem is that we

LONDON (R) - South Africa worldwide but was a serious reasonable period of time."

will seek a new rescheduling problem for South Africa whose

\$13.5 billion.

The two giants may be extreme

Nissan said when it announced

the best measure of its core

ments were in store for older to cope with excess capacity.

Koll said.

drastic restructuring

workers.

Mr. Haddad had said an econom and anti-inlation plan would be in place by the end of April or early May, but Mr. Franco had pressed him for quicker implementation.

Mr. Haddad had said he was working on "preconditions" to stabilise the economy, including refinancing domestic and foreign debts totalling \$230 billion, and it would take 60 to 90 days for those preconditions to be met.

Mr. Franco Saturday said he had ordered Mr. Haddad to bring his plans forward because "the country can't put up with the present inflation level for another three or four months."

Mr. Franco last week denied newspaper reports detailing Mr. Haddad's economic plans and had publicly rejected Mr. Haddad's announcement of a new currency to replace the cruzeiro.

Shares on the Sao Paulo Stock Exchange dropped 5.5 per cent in beavy trading after Mr. Haddad's resignation. Some business leaders praised Mr. Resende for his ambitious plan unveiled last month to restructure Brazil's troubled energy sector.

There isn't a manufacturer in

Japan who doesn't have a restruc-

turing plan up its sleeve," Mr.

gers as the preferred cure.

Some sectors are choosing mer-

Late last month leading paper

makers Oji Paper Co. Ltd. and

Kanzaki Paper Manufacturing

Co. Ltd. said they would merge.

It was the second planned merger

in less than a year in an industry

confronting its worst recession since World War II.

Banks and brokerages have

also announced some plans to

slim down, but economists say

the ailing financial sector requires

bolder and more painful mea-

Driving the restructuring is not

only the current economic slump

but the prospects growth will

never regain the heady levels of

recent decades. "The biggest problem confronting corporate

Japan now is how to get profits

out of slower growth," said Johsen Takahashi, senior fellow

in the negotiation of the current

in selling such a deal to the

subject to three rescheduling

arrangements since the interna-

tional banks imposed a freeze on

new credits to South Africa in

Mr. Stals said that under the

current rescheduling, South Africa would pay banks three instal-

ments this year. Taken together with its other commitments, the

country will pay some \$1.5 billion

Mr. Stals said relations be-

tween South Africa and the

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sures to regain its health.

# Brazil economy chief quits | Clinton plan will slow recovery—economists

WASHINGTON (R) — Leading tax increases and not enough on economists said Monday Presisending cuts.

"A tax somewhere in the very spending cuts." dent Bill Clinton's sweeping economic plan would not reduce the federal deficit as much as the White House predicted and was

likely to slow economic growth. Allen Sinai, chief economists for that Boston Company Economic Advisors, endorsed the proposal but told the House of Representatives Budget Committee that deficit reduction would result in slower growth and job

loss over the coming years. "A loss of jobs as indicated runs counter to one of the major goals of the Clinton administration," Mr. Sinai said in testimony.

'The question is whether Americans will have the patience... to stay the course and policymakers in Washington the courage to stick with deficit reduction," he said.

The budget panel will vote next week on the four-year \$325 billion deficit reduction plan, which includes new taxes, spending cuts and new federal programmes. Mr. Clinton has also proposed an immediate \$16 billion economic stimulas bill.

Republican lawmakers have been critical of the overall pack- he's mentioned. Obviously, that age, saying it relies too much on creates a lot of nervousness

Mr. Sinai said Mr. Clinton's

plan would cut the deficit \$250-\$275 billion over four years, not the \$325 billion projected. Lawrence Chimerine of data Resources/McGraw Hill gave the

plan a qualified endorsement, but called on Congress to attack spending in mandatory programmes like pensions and health The administration program-

me is likely to hold down economic growth during the next three of four years by between 0.2 and 0.4 per cent per year. This would be true of any programme that reduced the deficit," Mr. Chimerine said.

Mr. Clinton said Monday he favoured higher cigarette taxes and a top aide said smokers could be paying \$1.50 to \$2 more for a pack of cigarettes.

Budget Director Leon Panetta said the tax could be part of the Clinton administration's effort to meet the nation's soaring health

Asked about reports that Clinton favoured slapping a \$2 tax on a pack of 20 cigarettes, Mr. Panetta said: "Well, that's what

"A tax somewhere in the vicinity of a buck 50 (\$1.50) to two bucks makes some sense if you're concerned about trying to inhibit a behaviour that feeds into health care probelms," Mr. Panetta told Cable News Network.

Mr. Clinton said in an interview with the cable music network MTV that he believed the tax should be raised.

... I think it would be a good thing if it reduced smoking, because an enormous percentage of our health care costs, a huge percentage, grow directly out of smoking, not only direct problems for people who are smokers, but indirect problems that are caused by it. And smoking ought to bear more of the cost of the health care problems that it causes," Mr. Clinton said.

A pack of cigarettes costs about \$2, and the threat of "sin taxes" has rattled the powerful tobacco lobby.

But opinion polls show most Americans — increasingly opposed to smoking due to heightened awareness of the health risks - favour the cigarette tax as a way to cut the deficit and put a lid on spiralling health care costs.

# Gulf oil countries alarmed by Clinton energy tax plan

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — U.S. President Bill Clinton's plan for an energy tax that discriminates against oil is alarming Gulf countries, which fear it will damage sales of their Black gold.

The tax also is being blasted by American oil companies, which claim it will reduce national income and cause hundreds of thousands of job losses. It would also hit their own profits.

The proposal comes on the heels of European proposals to levy a tax on carbon-based energy sources, including imported oil, domestically produced coal and other hydrocarbons. "The final consumer in the

industrialised countries is being made to suffer from the petrophobia of policy makers," Saudi Arabian Oil Minister Hisham Nazer told a conference in Houston last month. He said oil is "cheap, clean and

safe. So why penalise this precious gift of God at the expense of the welfare of the people of the One banker, who was involved world?' rescheduling pact, said South Africa would have little difficulty

Henry Azzam, chief economist at the National Commercial Bank, Saudi Arabia's largest, said: "If the industrialised countries decide to impose taxes that would effectively increase prices and discourage consumption, this may cause Gulf producers to reconsider their pricing strategy.' In Kuwait, Commerce Minister Abdulla Al Hajiri told the

Associated Press that the tax "will have a serious effect on The emirate, devastated by

Iraq's August 1990 invasion, is worried that the tax will eat into revenues it needs for reconstruc-

Other Gulf countries, such as were gradually being normalised. | the United Arab Emirates, also

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are concerned about the proposed tax.

The Clinton proposal, which would push up American gasoline prices by at least eight cents a gallon, is aimed at encouraging conservation and cutting oil imports by 350,000 barrels a day. The price of a gallon of gaso-

line in the United States currently averages \$1.09 (or 29 cents a The Energy Department esti-mated the Clinton tax would cut the trade deficit by \$18 billion by

the end of the decade while raising \$71.4 billion in government revenue over a five-year period. Mr. Clinton told Congress Feb. 17 that the tax, which would go

into effect in July 1994 and be phased in over three years, "combats pollution, promotes energy efficiency" and "promotes the independence economically of thsi country as well as helping to reduce the debt." Gulf nations are concerned

that introducing the U.S. tax also will speed up application of the proposed European carbon tax.

European countries have said they will not apply the tax unless similar measures are introduced by the United States and Japan. Now, with the Clinton proposals pending, only Japan needs to chime in.

Gasoline prices are at least twice American levels in most European countries and even higher than that in some.

There has been no official comment from Saudi Arabia on Mr. Clinton's proposal: Oil Minister Nazer's comments were made before the tax was formally proposed, and he was criticising such

But in general, Gulf nations

and U.S. oil companies see the tax as a naked attempt to grab easy revenues at the expense of economic growth both in the industrial countries and in oil producing nations. Under Mr. Clinton's proposal,

crude oil would be taxed at twice the rate applied to other energy sources such as coal, natural gas, and nuclear and hydroelectric Charles Dibona, president of

the U.S. oil industry's American Petroleum Institute, has said the Clinton proposal would reduce the country's gross domestic product by some \$178 billion and cost Ámericans some 600 000

"This proposal really amounts to a thinly disguised gasoline tax, one that would seriously harm economic recovery and be a jobkiller on a mizssive scale," Mr. Dibona said.

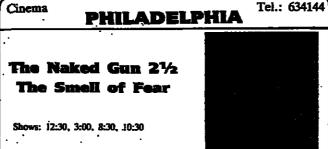
For Cuif nations, it is frustrating to see the price of their main source of revenue; oil, slipping in world markets while customers try to earn money off the same oil

"It's the treasuries of the industrialised countries that will reap the premiums, not the OPEC countries," said Abdul Aziz Dukhail, head of the Consulting Centre for Finance and Investment in Riyadh.

The Saudi oil ministry estimated that in 1991 oil producers in developing countries earned \$70 billion on exports to the European Community (EC) countries while EC countries collected \$222 million in taxes.

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# U.S. makes 2nd drop; Muslims killed trying to get parcels

SARAJEVO (Agencies) — Air force cargo planes sent more than 21,000 meals and half a tonne of medical supplies hurtling down into eastern Bosnia Tuesday in a second U.S. airdrop intended for

cutoff Muslims in the area.

Again, it was not clear if the supplies reached their intended recipients.

Many bundles dropped Sunday night's first mission were said to have missed the target, landing mostly in territory controlled by

And one report Tuesday said some Muslims were killed by sniper fire trying to collect sup-plies dropped by the Americans Monday. The unconfirmed report, passed on by a U.N. spokesman in Geneva, came from ham radio operators.

In all, six planeloads of food and medicine have been parachuted into eastern Bosnia in the operation, which is being run out of Rhein-Main Air Base in Germany and was authorised by President Bill Clinton last week.

The most direct U.S. intervention so far in the Bosnian war, the airdrops aim to bring relief to embattled Muslims at minimum risk to American troops.

The C-130s dropping the supplies fly above 10,000 feet (3,000 metres) to reduce the risk of drawing anti-aircraft fire and, as another precautionary measure, have flown their missions at

Crew members said cloud cover helped hide them from view early Tuesday as three C-130s dropped nearly 19 tonnes of food and 1,000 pounds (450 kilogram-mes) of medical supplies around seriously ill. No U.N. convoy has

NEW YORK (AP) — A newly

discovered videotape of cars coming and going at the World Trade

Centre parking garage could yield

chies to who planted the bomb

copied, James Fox, head of the FBI's New York office, said

Monday. "We'll know soon."

"It's being reviewed and

Investigators said theories for

the bombing range from a terror-

ist attack to revenge by a disgrun-

tled employee, and they're still

killed at least five people and

But investigators got a break Monday when they found a secur-

ity videotane of vehicles entering

and exiting one of three entrances

to the underground garage before

Mr. Fox did not explain why

Diana arrives in Nepal

injured more than 1,000.

the blast

nsure what kind of explosive

that rocked the twin towers.

As on Sunday night, no hostile

fire was reported. The last overland food convoy to reach Zepa, a town of 29,000 people, got there on Feb. 21 and it was designated a "high prior-ity" location by the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees.

Agency spokesman Ron Red-

mond said Tuesday that ham operators in the area were reporting that some Muslims were kil-led early Monday trying to pick up food dropped between the eastern regions of Cerska and Konjeviciploje.

The first three planeloads of food and medicine were dropped in that area overnight Monday, intended for the estimated 20.000 Muslims in Cerska, where aid had been cut off since the war broke out nearly a year ago.

Mr. Redmond said there was

no way to verify the radio operators' reports. Bosnia's Muslimled government in Sarajevo said Monday that the drop appeared an almost total failure.

Up to 10,000 refugees from the fighting in the Cerska area were reported cowering on the slopes of icy Mount Udre Monday as Serb tanks stormed into the region. Hundreds died in fighting in that area Sunday, Bosnian radio

Mr. Redmond said Tuesday that the U.N. had received an urgent request from authorities in Cerska for an emergency medical

evacuation of 1,500 people. He said the United States was working with the Red Cross to try to send in a fleet of trucks to

the existence of the tape emerged

only Monday, after days of au-

thorities saying the garage had no

But he said it could be impor-

tant because experts believe the

bomb was so large it would "test

the springs of any car or any van," making it conspicuous on

the tape. Investigators have peg-ged the bomb at up to 1500 pounds (600 kgs), depending on what type of explosive was used.

The Port Authority of New

York and New Jersey said police

were also able to collect parking

studs from the garage with the

plates of each car written on them, and Mr. Fox said the studs

have vielded leads. The port au-

thority operates the Trade

described a pattern of suspicious

Also, Mr. Fox said, witnesses

security camera.

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**WORLD NEWS IN BRIEF** 

KATHMANDU, Nepal (AP) - Princess Diana received a royal

welcome Tuesday in this rugged Himalayan kingdom where a decade ago her estranged husband confirmed rumours he would

marry her. Crown Prince Dipendra and Prime Minister Girija

Prasad Koirala greeted the Princess of Wales at Tribhuvan

Airport. On Thursday, Princess Diana will dine with King

Birendra and Queen Aishwarya at the royal palace, contradicting

British news reports that she would be snubbed by Nepal's royalty

because of her alleged marital indiscretions. Princess Diana was

on a private four day visit to inspect British funded agriculture

and irrigation projects. It was in Nepal 11 years ago that Prince

Charles said he would marry then-Lady Diana Spencer. The

Eton-educated Dipendra shook hands with Princess Diana as she

stepped from a commercial Reyal Nepal Airlines flight from New Delhi,

PARIS (R) - President Francois Mitterrand of France will travel

to Moscow on March 16 for a day-long visit and talks with Russian

President Boris Yeltsin, the president's office announced Tues-

Mitterrand to visit Moscow on March 16

Videotape may yield clues to New York blast

reached Cerska since the war not intended."

began.
The latest Serb advances in eastern Bosnia come as Muslim. Serb and Croat officials gathered in New York for another round of peace talks at U.N. headquarters. The Serb offensive, launched about two weeks ago after Muslims recaptured some eastern

attempt to strengthen the Serbs' hand in the talks. On Monday, Defence Secretary Les Aspin and Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Gen. Colin

Bosnian territory, might be an

Powell issued a statement calling the previous night's airdrop "suc-We can confirm that many of the bundles landed in clear areas within the identified drop zone,

which is in the area of Cerska," the statement said. But a senior Pentagon official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said only about one third of

the bundles appeared to have hit the mark. As night fell in Bosnia Monday, only one package had been reported found by Muslims some 30 kilometres northwest of Cerska, The Bosnian news agency BH Press said, quoting a ham radio

A Bosnian defence official in the government-held town of Tuzla said bundles with food and medical supplies fell on Serb lines in the rugged, inhospitable mountains around Cerska, an area where up to 20,000 Muslims are

surrounded by Serb forces. Gen. Ratko Mladic, commander of Serb forces in Bosnia, also said some of the aid landed in Serb held areas, "where it was community.

movements of vehicles near the

centre before the blast, "activ-

ity... that we find very interesting

President Bill Clinton sought

Monday to "discourage the

American people from overreact-

ing" to the World Trade Centre

questions during a visit to New

Jersey, said it was not clear

whether the bombing was a ter-

rorist act because the investiga-

But, even if it does turn out to

this country to be free of the effort.

have been an act of terrorists,

Mr. Clinton urged Americans not

kinds of terrorist acts that have

to overreact.

Mr. Clinton, responding to

and that we're following up on.

The Americans didn't get good marks on their first exagain," said Murat Efendic, head of an association of eastern Bosnians as he monitored ham radio exchanges in Saraievo.

Ismet Mustafic, a ham radio operator in Cerska, said Serb militiamen and tanks entered part of the region early Monday after night's bombardment by artillery. Thousands of villagers fied to nearby woods, valleys and mountains, he said.

"Cerska is burning... they are attacking from all sides, on all lines," said Mr. Mustafic, adding that government forces would try to hold open a corridor toward Sarajevo so people could escape.

Serb troops reportedly overran seven villages outside Cerska on Sunday. Bosnian radio said Monday that 300 civilians were shot or burned to death in those villages, but the report could not be veri-

Meanwhile, Bosnian Croat forces said Monday they were enforcing a blockade of supply convoys for their estranged Muslim allies despite Bosnian govern-ment reports that it had been The Croatian Defence Council

(HVO), the autonomous Bosnian Croat militia force, said it was halting about half of the Muslimled government army's traffic between the Croatian border and

central Bosnia.
Muslims resent the HVO's transformation of southwest Bosnia where it predominates into a protectorate of neighbouring Croatia despite a large Muslim

think it is also important that we

If it was a terrorist act and "you

stop doing what you are doing, they have won half the battle. ... I

would plead with the American

people and the good people of

New York to keep your courage up and go on about your lives."

He said he had placed the resources of several federal agen-

cies at the disposal of New York

authorities investigating Friday's

Mr. Clinton reite ated his sor-

row and support for the families

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Mr. Clinton said he was in

not overreact.'

explosion.

"We've been very blessed in other agencies involved in the

gripped other countries," he said.
"I would discourage the Amerof the victims and those injured.

columns will continue their march towards the city of Huambo," the ican people from overreacting to this," Mr. Clinton said. "I am television reported. very concerned about it but I

Angolan General Kunde

delegates were unable to depart for Ethiopia. Payame, who is directing a relief column from the coastal of Ben-

> most 10 kilometres a day. UNITA's headquarters in the central highlands, is the most

The two sides have pounded

relief flights were needed to Huambo to ferry in supplies, treat the thousands of wounded and bury the dead. France regretted the cancella-tion of Angola peace talks Mon-

time they venture out.

The World Food Programme

(WFP) said Friday that urgent

day, saying "full responsibility" lies with UNITA rebels who failed to show up. Foreign Ministry spokesman

Daniel Bernard said everything must be done to "end the logic of war in Angola and create conditions for a true, lasting cease-On Sunday, U.N. envoy Mar-

garet Anstee gave the rebels an ultimatum to send representatives to Addis Ababa by 9 a.m. Monday or the talks would be cancelled.

"We feel that UNITA bears full responsibility for the failure of this meeting," Mr. Bernard

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### N. Zealand mothers ordered to guard babies

AUCKLAND (R) — New prothers at an Auckland hospital were instructed Tuesday not to leave their babies untended after a five-day-old boy was snatched from his cradle. James Collins was taken while his mother was out of her room at Auckland's National Women's Hospital Monday. Gaye Tozer, manager of women's health at the hospital, said mothers would be told to take their babies to the hospital nursery if they were leaving their room. Police said they were continuing their search for the baby.

### McCartney arrives in Australia

PERTH, Australia (AP) - Paul McCartney arrived Monday for the start of a world tour during which he will play songs from his days as a Beatle as well as later hits as soloist and with his 1970s band, Wings. McCartney will have his first concert in Perth Friday followed by shows in Melbourne, Adelaide, Sydney and Auckland, New Zealand, before leaving for the United States and Canada and finally, Europe. He has played only twice before in Australia - with the Beatles in 1966 and with wings in 1975. In a statement released by his Australian publicist last week, McCartney said his world tour would draw attention to environmental issues, such as the hole in the ozone layer. He said voters worldwide should support politicians committed to cleaning up the environment. "Politics should go beyond the matters of one country, politics should be addressed to the planet," he said.

### **Topless protesters** acquitted

KITCHENER, Ontario (AP) -Five women arrested for baring their breasts at a rally were found innocent Monday of committing an indecent act. "This was within the community's standard of tolerance," Judge Katie McGo-wan said of the women's conduct at a demonstration at a city park in July. The five women were among 1,000 people protesting the conviction of Owen Jacob. a student who was charged a year earlier for walking topless in the town of Guelph. Judge McGo-wan said she based her decision on witnesses who testified Canadians could tolerate the sight of a woman's bare breasts in public and also on a police videotape. division, hope and courage. It has taught us many things," Mr. Kim "No one shown on the video appears to be offended or titillated," she told the provincial division of Ontario court.

### Burglars take \$1.68 million in furs

HONG KONG (AP) — Burglars snatched more than 13 million Hong Kong dollars (\$1.68 million) worth of mink furs from a warehouse near the Chinese border, police reported Monday. Police said a warehouse manager way was let down, and it caved in reported the theft after discoverunder the pressure, police said. ing the padlock to the building in Thirty-three bodies were re-Lok Ma Chau had been broken over the weekend. Noarrests have been made. It wasn't immediately clear whether the minks were raw materials or ready-to-wear garments. Nor was it clear whether the haul was the largest-ever theft of furs in this British colony, the world's biggest producer of fur

### This story must have been leeked

LOS ANGELES (R) — What's in a name? Quite a bit, says a group representing Americans of Welsh origin. The organisation sued some of the United States' major news organisations in a bid to have them stop using the word "welsh" as a derogatory term meaning "to fail to pay a wager or debt or to fulfil an obligation." The Robin Hood Foundation and the Welsh American/TWM Sion Cati Red Dragon Legal Defence Fund sued such publications as Newsweek and the Wall Street Journal, saying such a fighting word should be declared...outside of constitutional free speech

### Helped out of a jam

TOKYO (R) - A drunk who slipped and trapped his head between a railway carriage and the station platform owes his life to 50 fellow passengers who tilted the wagon. The 68-year-old man fell into the gap as the train began to pull out of Bentencho station in Osaka Sunday, a spokesman for West Japan Railway said. The driver hit the brakes, wedging the man's head against the platform. and a passenger who tried to pull him gave up when be cried out in pain. About 50 passengers then formed a rescue team to tilt the carriage. The man escaped with



Sarajevo youth throws a stone at a passing U.N. vehicle. The U.N. operation has long been unpopular in the city (AFP photo)

### Angolan relief columns resume march on besieged Huambo

LUANDA (R) — Government relief columns are resuming their march on the besieged Angolan city of Huambo where at least 10,000 people have been killed in two months of fighting, state tele-

vision said. The television late Monday quoted military sources as saying the columns, which were being harassed by UNITA rebels, had observed a truce while attempts were made to resume peace talks in the Ethiopian capital, Addis

But the march was resuming because Jonas Savimbi's National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) failed to turn up in Addis Ababa, forcing abandonment of the talks. As nothing was achieved in terms of a ceasefire, the military

The rebels said fighting for Huambo was so intense that their

SEOUL (R) — German Chancel-

lor Helmut Kohl gazed out over the world's last cold war frontier

Tuesday and said he wanted to

share his experience of national reunification with the divided

cutting a living body in half," Mr.

But, Mr. Kohl, in South Korea

inspections before and able to improve relations with Bonn.

He toured the village of Panmunjom, a clus. of official

buildings on the heavily-fortified

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guela, told Reuters at the eekend that his men would get to Huambe "at all costs" despite their snail's pace advance of at The battle for Huambo, once

symbolic in the war which resumed with unprecedented ferocity after Mr. Savimbi rejected his September election defeat and May 1991 peace accords which had ended 16 years of war.

Huambo to rubble and international aid workers believe the government estimate of 10,000 civilian dead is conservative. Bodies lie decomposing in

buildings and on the streets. Food and water are runing out and of the trapped civilians face death every said.

Kohl visits Korea's cold war frontier get a view into North Korea, one conference. "We believe that is a of the world's most reclusive precondition for normalising relastates and one of its last hardline. tions (between North Korea and There he was briefed on the

South Korea and its allies be-

who still suffer from national

mostly fruitless talks on unificalieve North Korea is close to building a nuclear bomb and that tion between delegates of the two Pyongyang is dragging its feet over allowing inspections by international authorities or by tant and historic meeting place,"
Mr. Kohl said. "That is because southern officials. "The reunification of Germany has given the Korean people,

we Germans know the pain of the Koreans and understand it much more than other nations." Before his trip to the border,

area, the venue for periodic and

. Mr. Kohl held an 80-minute meeting with South Korea's President Kim Young-Sam, who was sworn in only last Thursday. Mr. Kohl called on the North to be open about its nuclear prog-

The man who presided over German unification after the collapse of communism in the east climbed the "peace pagoda" to accept mutual nuclear inspec-

South Korea is eager to learn from the experience of Germany since the two countries share a common fate in their division into

"We urge North Korea to

### capitalist and Communist nations. North Korea has kept itself isolated since the 1950-53 Korean

### Congo gangway caves in; 146 drown

BRAZZAVILLE, Congo (AP) At least 146 people drowned when a gangway collapsed as passengers rushed to board a ferry boat, sending scores of people into the Congo River, police

said Tuesday. Fishermen, firemen, police and sailors fished bodies carried by the tide to the river bank at Brazzaville Port Tuesday morning. Ambulances took them to the main hospital morgue of this

The boat Matadi was preparing to carry expelled Zairians from Brazzaville, the Congo capital, across the river to the Zairian capital of Kinshasa. The vessel, an old one beiong-

ing to the state owned National Transport Service of Zaire, usual-

board it Monday when the gang- officials.

ly carries about 200 passengers. But many more rushed to

trieved by Monday night, and another 113 were found Tuesday morning, they said.

The ferries that ply the river between Brazzaville and Kinsh-

asa are known for their only decks and smuglers who jump overboard just before docking to sneak their goods past customs

### Yeltsin asks reformist lawmakers to help him in power struggle Yevgeny Shaposhnikov told re-

day. The visit will follow Mr. Mitterrand's March 9 trip to Washington for a get-acquainted session with President Bill Clinton. In each case, the situation in the former Yugoslavia is expected to rank high on the agenda. French Foreign Minister MOSCOW (AP) — President Boris Yeltsin Tuesday appealed to reformist legislators to help Roland Dumas was in Moscow Tuesday to prepare for Mr. Mitterrand's trip. Mr. Dumas said Monday he also would express to Mr. Yeltsin France's wish to see Russia participate in an him defuse his power struggle with Russia's hardline Congress. eventual multinational force that would be established if a peace plan for Bosnia under discussion is approved by all parties plus In his second meeting with legislative blocs this week, Mr. the United Nations. Regional conflicts in the former Soviet Union also were to be discussed by Mr. Dumas. Yeltsin said he would go directly to the voters in an April 11 referendum if the nation's consti-11 kilied in Venezuela prison riot

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Inmates at a crowded jail in northern Venezuela attacked dozens of convicts sent from another prison. Authorities said at least 11 inmates were stabbed to death. Police and National Guard units arrived at Tocoron Jail to quell the riot, which started Monday morning. The jail is on the outskirts of Maracay, about 50 kilometres west of Caracas, the capital. The violence began as dozens of prisoners arrived from Catia Jail in Caracas, which is scheduled to close by year's end. Other prison wardens have refused to accept the inmates until their facilities are expanded and renovated.

### Philippine military to undergo AIDS tests

MANILA (R) — The Philippines' 160,000-strong armed forces are to be tested for AIDS after a Marine chosen to serve with U.N. forces in Cambodia was found to be HIV positive. "The chief of staff ordered everybody to be tested to be sure," armed forces spokesman Colonel Benjamin Enrile told reporters in Manila Tuesday. Testing for the HIV virus which causes AIDS would begin immediately and would be carried out by the main military hospital in Manila, he added. Armed Forces Chief of Staff General Lisandro Abadia said AIDS tests would become part of the annual medical examination of all military officers and listed men. The Marine was immediately withdrawn from a 68-man Philippine Navy contingent to be sent to help police a U.N.-brokered ceasefire agreement in Cambodia.

### American aide leaves U.N., complains of mismanagement UNITED NATIONS (AP) - An al of the U.N. Department of

outgoing U.S. official at the United Nations says the world body is hobbled by antiquated management, staff patronage and "almost surreal" budget prac-

Dick Thornburgh, the highest ranking American at the United Nations, warned in a report to U.N. Secretary General Boutros Ghali that if the problems were not fixed, the world body would not be able to meet the increasing demands placed upon it after the end of the cold war.

Mr. Thornburgh, a former U.S. attorney general and Pennsylvania governor, stepped down Monday as undersecretary-gener-

tutional crisis is not resolved.

"Russia is going through one of the hardest episodes in postwar history," Mr. Yeltsin said in a

speech to the reformist Democra-

tic Choice group of lawmakers at Moscow's President Hotel.

He warned that Russia could

expect hardline forces to come to

power through the Congress of

People's Deputies, the Commun-

ist-dominated parliament that is the nation's highest legislative

a reversal of the reforms to which

people aiready have become

accustomed," Mr. Yeltsin said.

Russia return to the constitution

it had last April, before Congress

added amendments that have

Mr. Yeltsin and his main poli-

tical rival, legislative Speaker

Rusian Khasbulatov, are engaged in a bitter battle over the division

of power that was left unresolved

sapped executive powers.

He said he would like to see

"These forces will bring about

Administration and Management, where he was assigned to fight bureaucratic excess and corruption. He had served on a one year contract, which ended Monday. In his report, Mr. Thornburgh

criticised personnel practices that lead to "too much 'deadwood' doing too little work and too few good staff members doing too He said U.N. managers tack

the power "to reward superior performance and to sanction subdog against abuses.

standard performance." He reminded Dr. Ghali of his recommendation to appoint an inspec tor general as a permanent watch-

following the Soviet Union's collapse in 1991. The Congress will meet on March 10 to discuss his proposals for sharing power with the legisla-tive branch, he said.

If accepted by Congress, the proposals will "solve the constitutional deadlock we are in," Mr. Yeltsin said. If Congress refuses to accept the agreement, he vowed to

appeal directly to the people. Mr. Yeltsin first proposed the nationwide referendum in December, after the Congress rejected his choice for prime minister. reformist Yegor Gaidar.

In a speech Sunday to the Congress' influential Civic Union bloc of industrialists, Mr. Yeltsin criticised the Congress for trying to become a parallel government and appropriating presidential

Meanwhile, top defence officials from six former Soviet republics have recommended forming a NATO type military council to ensure collective security and defence among members of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), an official said Monday.

The six also will encourage the other four CIS states to join the collective Security Council, Com-monwealth Military Commander

The council initially would be comprised of the presidents and prime ministers of the six counries, as well as two Commonwealth Defence and Foreign Ministry representatives, Mr. Shaposhnikov said.

The Supreme Command of Russia, Armenia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and Ta-jikistan would be directly subordinate to the council, making it resemble the structure of the NATO alliance, Marshal Shaposhnikov said.

The former Red Army has split up - with Russia inheriting the bulk of its forces - since the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991. The Commonwealth military that followed in its place has been struggling to restore some coordination among the 10 CIS

"Our structures at present are not equal to the task of ensuring collective security and defence, Marshal Shaposhnikov told a news conference. "Therefore, it is important to make sure these questions are dealt with not only by military structures, but also by political ones." The defence officials and Mar-

shal Shaposhnikov met Saturday new council would resemble

to draft the proposal. The plan is subject to approval by the six heads of state, all of whom signed a collective security agreement last May in the Uzbek capital of Tashkent. It will be submitted for final ratification at the next Commonwealth summit, scheduled for April 28 in the Armenian capital, Yerevan.

The Commonwealth includes all the former Soviet republics, except Azerbaijan, Georgia and the Baltic states of Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia. The original security agree-

ment committed member states to protecting fellow members against aggression, but it was unclear whether it envisioned their involvement in wars such as that between Armenia and Azerbaijan over the disputed province of Nagomo-Karabakh,

"(It) places us in a very complex situation," Marshal Shaposhnikov said.

He said the proposal also calls for a unified armed forces, which in peacetime would "function in line with plans drawn up by the respective defence ministries, and in wartime, with plans drawn up by the collective security bodies. He said the structure of the NATO's, but that Russia and Uzbekistan had suggested following one aspect of the Warsaw Pact model: Putting Russia's defence minister in charge of the unified armed forces. This would demote Marshal Shaposhnikov to Russian Defence Minister Pavel Grachev's deputy. Marshal Shaposhnikov said

that although he wanted Russia to play a dominant role in the new council, he add the four other defence officials preferred the NATO model, where the Commonwealth commander answers only to the council of the heads of "We cannot reduce the role of

Russia, but we cannot also organise all structures to meet its interests only," Marshal Sha-poshnikov said. "I think nobody will argue

against the fact that Russia is the foundation, the basis of the entire arrangement in the military field and so on. I think there would be nothing bad if Russia acts as the guarantor, provided the interests of the guarantor and the guarantee coincide," he said.

Marshal Shaposhnikov said he also has suggested establishing an "inter-state corporation" to produce military equipment for the council members.

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